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39. (New) A makeup container, the container comprising:  
a cover piece having a first interface, the first interface having a first periphery; and  
a base piece for holding a cosmetic substance, the base piece having a second interface, the second interface having a second periphery corresponding to the first periphery, wherein the first interface and the second interface provide a hermetic seal when the cover piece is closed with respect to the base piece, wherein the seal is comprised of a groove associated with one of the first interface or the second interface and a peripheral rim associated with the other of the first interface or the second interface;  
a housing configured for retaining the cover piece and the base piece.
40. (New) The makeup container of claim 39, wherein the groove is defined by a peripheral wall and the peripheral edge of the peripheral rim being received between the first periphery and the peripheral wall.
41. (New) The makeup container of claim 40, wherein the first periphery includes a bulge.
42. (New) The makeup container of claim 41, wherein the first periphery and the second periphery are circular.
43. (New) The makeup container of claim 39, further comprising: an outer body coupled about the cover piece and the base piece, wherein the outer body includes a cavity, the cavity allowing expansion of the cover piece or the base piece.
44. (New) The makeup container of claim 43, wherein the cavity is large enough to allow expansion during loss-in-weight tests.
45. (New) The makeup container of claim 44, wherein the cover piece and the base piece are integral and joined by a living hinge.

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46. (New) The makeup container of claim 39, wherein the housing comprises a container.
47. (New) The makeup container of claim 46, wherein the container comprises a shell.
48. (New) The makeup container of claim 46, wherein the cover piece and the base piece comprise an insert.
49. (New) The makeup container of claim 46, wherein the bulge is curved.
50. (New) The makeup container of claim 49, wherein the rim is curved.
51. (New) A compact for containing a cosmetic substance with an air-tight seal, the compact comprising:  
a first section; and  
a second section, the first section engaging the second section to form the air-tight seal, the air-tight seal maintaining the first section in a closed position with respect to the second section;  
a housing configured for maintaining the first section and the second section.
52. (New) The compact of claim 51, wherein the compact makes an audible sound indicating the air-tight seal is established when the first section engages the second section.
53. (New) The compact of claim 52, wherein the first section has a first circular cavity, the circular cavity having a first peripheral wall, wherein the second section has a second peripheral wall, the second peripheral wall sliding between the first peripheral wall and an edge of the first circular cavity to form the seal.
54. (New) The compact of claim 53, wherein the peripheral wall includes a lip.

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55. (New) The compact of claim 54, wherein the lip extends away from an outside surface of a rim.

56. (New) The compact of claim 53, wherein the second section has a second circular cavity for holding the cosmetic substance, the second circular cavity being defined by the second peripheral wall.

57. (New) The compact of claim 51, wherein the housing comprises a container.

58. (New) The compact of claim 54, wherein the lip is curved.

59. (New) The compact of claim 57, wherein the container comprises a shell.

60. (New) The compact of claim 59, wherein the first section and the second section comprise an insert.

61. (New) A makeup case for holding a cosmetic substance, the case including a cover and a base, the cover being movable to an open position and to a closed position, an improvement comprising:

a hermetic seal, when the cover is in the closed position the seal maintains the cover in the closed position;

an outer body configured for retaining the cover and the base.

62. (New) The makeup case of claim 61, wherein the seal is comprised of a groove associated with the cover and a peripheral rim associated with the base, the rim being received in the groove when the cover is in the closed position.

63. (New) The makeup case of claim 62, wherein the improvement makes an audible sound when the cover is brought to the closed position.

64. (New) The makeup case of claim 63, wherein the improvement makes another audible sound when the cover is brought to the open position from the closed position.

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65. (New) The makeup case of claim 62, wherein the groove includes a first peripheral wall and an edge.

66. (New) The makeup case of claim 65, wherein the base is integral with the cover.

67. (New) The makeup case of claim 66, wherein the first peripheral wall is shorter than the edge.

68. (New) The compact of claim 61, wherein the outer body comprises a container.

69. (New) The compact of claim 68, wherein the container comprises a shell.

70. (New) The compact of claim 69, wherein the base and cover comprise an insert.